

I SING THE BIRTH

CAROL BY BEN JONSON

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Con Spirito ♩=84

f

Soprano
I sing the Birth was born to-night, The Au - thor both of

Alto
I sing the Birth was born to-night, The Au - thor both of

Tenor
I sing the Birth was born to-night, The Au - thor both of

Bass
I sing the Birth was born to-night, The Au - thor both of

Accomp. (ad lib.)
f

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S.
life and light, The An - gels so did sound it: And like the ra-vish'd shep-herds said, Who

A.
life and light, The An - gels so did sound it: And like the ra-vish'd shep-herds said, Who

T.
life and light, The An - gels so did sound it: And like the ra-vish'd shep-herds said, Who

B.
life and light, The An - gels so did sound it: And like the ra-vish'd shep-herds said, Who

Acc.
p

9 **Tempo**

cresc. poco rit **p** *cresc.*

S. saw the light and were a-fraid, Yet searched, yet searched, yet searched, and true they found it, —

A. saw the light and were a-fraid, Yet searched, yet searched, yet searched, and true they found it, —

T. saw the light and were a-fraid, Yet searched, yet searched, yet searched, and true they found —

B. saw the light and were a-fraid, Yet searched, yet searched, yet searched, and true they found —

Tempo

cresc. poco rit **p** *cresc.*

Acc. saw the light and were a-fraid, Yet searched, yet searched, yet searched, and true they found —

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S. — and true they found — it. The Son — of God, — the e - ter - nal King, That

A. — and true they found — it. The Son — of God, — the e - ter - nal King, That

T. it, and true they found it. The Son — of God, the e - ter - nal King, That

B. it, and true they found it. The Son — of God, — the e - ter - nal King, That

Acc. — and true they found — it. The Son — of God, — the e - ter - nal King, That

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S. *mf*
 did us all sal - va - tion bring, And freed the soul from dan - ger; He

A. *mf*
 did us all sal - va - tion bring, And freed the soul from dan - ger; He

T. *mf*
 did us all sal - va - tion bring, And freed the soul from dan - ger; He

B. *mf*
 did us all sal - va - tion bring, And freed the soul from dan - ger; He

Acc. *mf*

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S. *cresc.* *poco rit* **Tempo** *p*
 whom the whole world could not take, The Word which heav'n and earth did make, Was now, was now, was

A. *cresc.* *poco rit* *p*
 whom the whole world could not take, The Word which heav'n and earth did make, Was now, was now, was

T. *cresc.* *poco rit*
 whom the whole world could not take, The Word which heav'n and earth did make, Was now, was now, was

B. *cresc.* *poco rit*
 whom the whole world could not take, The Word which heav'n and earth did make, Was now, was now, was

Acc. *poco rit* **Tempo** *p*

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S. *p*
 now laid in a man - ger, laid in a man - ger. What com - fort by Him

A. *p*
 now laid in a man - ger, laid in a man - ger. What com - fort by Him

T. *p*
 now laid in a man - ger, laid in a man - ger. What com - fort by Him

B. *p*
 now laid in a man - ger, laid in a man - ger. What com - fort by Him

Acc. *p*

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S. *p* *meno mosso* *dim.* *cresc. molto*
 do we win, Who made Him - self the price of sin, To make us heirs of

A. *p* *dim.* *cresc. molto*
 do we win, Who made Him - self the price of sin, To make us heirs of

T. *p* *dim.* *cresc. molto*
 do we win, Who made Him - self the price of sin, To make us heirs of

B. *p* *dim.* *cresc. molto*
 do we win, Who made Him - self the price of sin, To make us heirs of

Acc. *p* *meno mosso* *dim.* *cresc. molto*

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S. *p* *poco rit* **Tempo**
 glo - ry To see this Babe, all in - no - cence, A Mar - tyr born in our de - fence! Can

A. *p* *poco rit* **Tempo**
 glo - ry To see this Babe, all in - no - cence, A Mar - tyr born in our de - fence! Can

T. *p* *poco rit*
 glo - ry To see this Babe, all in - no - cence, A Mar - tyr born in our de - fence!

B. *p* *poco rit*
 glo - ry To see this Babe, all in - no - cence, A Mar - tyr born in our de - fence!

Acc. **Tempo**

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S. *cresc.* *poco rit*
 man, can man, can man for - get this sto - ry, for - get this sto - ry?

A. *cresc.* *poco rit*
 man, can man, can man for - get this sto - ry, for - get this sto - ry?

T. *cresc.* *poco rit*
 Can man, can man, can man for - get this sto - ry for - get this sto - ry?

B. *cresc.* *poco rit*
 Can man, can man, can man for - get this sto - ry, for - get this sto - ry?

Acc. *poco rit*